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9. [] Called Mrs. Gwen Lewis, in the office of Senator Len B. Jordan (R., Idaho), to say I understood the Senator was interested in some press allegations about Agency activities in Southeast Asia, on which he had queried the White House. I explained that I would be glad to come over and brief the Senator and she suggested tentatively 2:00 p.m. tomorrow, 16 June.

I later received a call on the same subject from John Lehman, of Dr. Kissinger's staff, who said Senator Jordan's questions about Agency operations in Southeast Asia posed some special problems, that the Senator himself was hard to handle, and he would appreciate my coordinating with Gene Cowen, of Clark MacGregor's staff, before talking to Senator Jordan.

I called Mr. Cowen re the above who said that the Administration very much needed Jordan's vote on the McGovern/Hatfield amendment and since Jordan was particularly "spiney" to deal with, Cowen was afraid that if I took the initiative to see him, Jordan may react negatively, feeling the White House had breached a confidence in passing problems about Agency operations in Southeast Asia to CIA to handle. Cowen said he was seeing Jordan on another matter this afternoon and would try to satisfy him then. Otherwise, Cowen agreed with my suggestion that he and I see Jordan jointly tomorrow. Cowen will let me know how his meeting this afternoon comes out.

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10. [] Stuart French, OSD/ISA, called to say he is still fighting to block a GAO audit of occupation funds received from the Germans and spent by our forces in Berlin. He asked if we didn't have any sensitive operations being supported by these funds which could be cited as an excuse for avoiding the GAO audit. I said in fact in this regard we were completely clean--that we had put our share of these funds in escrow pending a legal decision as to their disposition.

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11. [] The transcript of the Director's testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 29 March was forwarded to the Committee and returned later in the day.

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12. [] Delivered to Mr. William Sullivan, Staff Assistant, in the office of Senator Robert Dole (R., Kan.), []
[] Mr.
Sullivan was most appreciative. (See Journal of 11 June 1971.)

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